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JUNCTION CITY, KANSAS MAN SENTENCED ON CRACK COCAINE CHARGE

TOPEKA, Kan. – United States Attorney Eric Melgren announced that **Henry Lavon King,** 25, Junction City, Kansas, was sentenced today by U.S. District Judge Julie A. Robinson to 5 years and ten months in federal prison, without parole, to be followed by four years of supervised release.

Melgren said that King entered a guilty plea on May 20, 2003, to one count of possession with the intent to distribute crack cocaine.

Melgren stated that King admitted at his plea that on February 24, 2002, he was stopped by the Junction City Police Department for a traffic violation and arrested for driving with a suspended license. King further admitted that when the officers searched his vehicle they found approximately 6.19 grams (.22 ounce) of crack cocaine which he intended to sell.

Melgren commended the excellent work of the Junction City Police Department and the DEA in this investigation and Assistant U.S. Attorney James Brown in this prosecution.